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ELECTRONIC BUSINESS USING A BROKER WEB SITE IN THE INTERNET TO NEGOTIATE  
Title: TRNSACTIONS BETWEEN INQUIRER AND ANSWER PROVIDER

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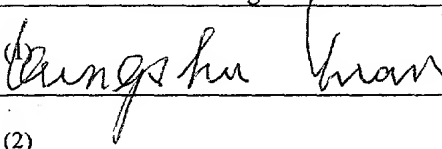
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☒ The specification for the above-entitled invention is filed herewith.

☐ The specification for the above-entitled invention was filed previously with patent application serial number \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_

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PRIORITY CLAIM

☒ There is no claim of priority.

☐ Claim of priority is based on the following: \_\_\_\_\_

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